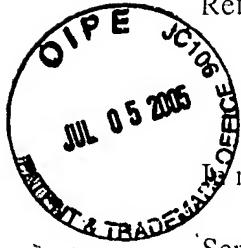


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REPLY AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 WITH
AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Commissioner:

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated December 29, 2004, for which a three-month period for response was given, making this response due on or before March 29, 2005. A Petition for a 3-Month Extension of Time is submitted herewith, making this amendment due on or before June 29, 2005. A Notice of Appeal is also being submitted herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees required for a three-month extension of time, consideration of this paper and any other papers filed herewith to deposit account number 50-1108.